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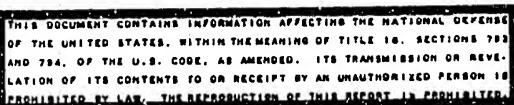
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1. For years Lu Ting-I was a member of the Chinese Communist Party Central Committee and its director of propaganda. His contribution to the success of the CCP was beyond doubt. Through his clever propaganda, the CCP had captured the heart of the Chinese people prior to the dismal defeat of the Nationalists. But his own propaganda finally caught up with him and brought him down all, stripping him of all official posts, party as well as government.
2. It was in May, 1953 when Liu Shao-chi suddenly presented charges against Lu at the 8th National Delegates Conference of the CCP at Peiping. In the words of Liu, Lu had committed a series of propaganda blunders, notably the story of "the development of a modern agricultural city on the Shih-tzu-ho (石子河 Little Rock River) in Sinkiang" published and issued through the Hsin Hua News Agency in October, 1952. Liu said this story was tantamount to a self-revelation of an important defense project. Most delegates were surprised by the serious charges. And Lu himself was caught off guard without an answer. Perhaps Lu actually did not know what was going on in the desert of Sinkiang.
3. Now the secret has leaked out little by little. It can be pieced together thus: An atomic city has been built in the general area north west of Tihwa, Sinkiang, on the north slope of the Tien-shan Range. According to a reliable report, the Marnus River (瑪纳斯河) traverses through its center and divides this new city into two parts as north and south. In my opinion, it could be on the site of an old town known as Sha-wen-shi (沙溫市) (Sandy Bay Town) or located a little further west at Sha-wan-hsido-huai (沙溫小河) (Little Bend on Sandy Bay). The Chinese now call it Shih-tzu-ho-chen (石子河城) (Little Rocky River Town). But the people in Tihwa have generally known it by the name of Vornikov (phonetic) (?) City in memory of Vornikov, former president of the Soviet Academy of Sciences, now deceased.

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4. It is reported that there are several uranium mines on the north shore of the Marnus River. It is also reported that this new town is now housing several thousand Russian miners with families. There is not one Chinese in the area. The city is under military control. Its commander is a Russian known as Col. V.G. Andrehof.
5. This is a new and different atomic city from the so-called Peace City reported to be located near Akosu toward the south west in Sinkiang.

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